

UAC Guiding Legislative Principles

Local Control Government closest to the people governs best. UAC

consistently promotes county government autonomy.

Oppose Unfunded Mandates

Unfunded or underfunded mandates damage trust and harm the great partnership counties currently have with the State. Utah's counties and the State can build an even stronger partnership and better communities by equitably sharing responsibilities and costs.

Support Countywide Services When economies of scale make sense, regional or countywide services should be encouraged.

Diversified County Revenue

The broad base/low rate philosophy is the best government revenue model. Hence the importance of diversifying the revenue base and equitably sharing government service costs.

Local Economic Incentives

The state should use its own revenues, not give away county revenues, as economic incentives. County government deserves unfettered access to its own county revenues to incentivize local economic growth.

Oppose Centrally Assessed Shift

All of Utah's property tax owners should contribute their fair share of the property tax. Centrally assessed property owners should not be able to shift their property tax burden onto home and small business owners.

Balance Between Disclosure and Privacy

Transparency in government is important but not at the cost of citizens' privacy rights. Changes to government transparency should be considered rationally and evenhandedly.

An Integrated Model of Public Lands Management Promoting all Utah public lands values, from preservation and restoration to sustained multiple use and access, is paramount. This comprehensive approach provides a diverse set of values and experiences for all Utah citizens to enjoy.